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SUBJECT: Prisoners of Special Interest at the PCIMA Rehabilitation Camp (C)

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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

(U) This report supplies information on prisoners of special interest at the Detention Camp Complex No. 135, PCIMA, USSR. Except for his last name, data information is given about an American Negro USAF EM whom source met in Sub-camp 7 in the autumn of 1947 and last saw in Sub-camp 7 in the autumn of 1959. He is serving a 25 year sentence imposed by the Soviets in KARLSHORST for espionage after having been strangled by a woman in BERLIN. Information is also given on an alleged American veteran of the Marine Corps; an ethnic German who allegedly was an agent for the CIC; an Armenian with French citizenship and former Iranian Premier Mossadegh's Minister of Culture, Mohammed Bagir SADE.

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- 1 - Photograph of Alleged American Veteran of US Marine Corps (C)
- 2 and 3 - Photograph of Herbert BEER or BECK, an ethnic German (C)

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Prisoners of Special Interest at the POTMA Rehabilitation Camp (C)

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1. Source last saw an American Negro at Sub-camp 7, Bar 2, 3rd Otreast in the autumn of 1959. Both originally met in the autumn of 1957 at Sub-camp 11 (at that time a tent camp). As far as source can recall, his first name was Jack, about 28 to 30 years of age, 198 cm tall, slender build, not very dark skinned. He claimed his mother had been part Indian. On one of the occasions when source and subject talked together, subject said that he had lived in St. Louis, Missouri. Subject related that he had been with the US Constabulary in BAD HARBURG as a 1st/Sgt (?). On a photograph which he showed source, he wore a 708 Army patch with the Constabulary insignia above. Source could not recall any rank insignia. It further appeared in the course of the conversation that he returned to the US and then came back to Europe at an unknown date as a member of USAFE. He was stationed at the Celle airfield during the Berlin airlift, and again at a later date with the MP (AFC) in BERLIN. According to source, his rank at this time was "Major Sgt" (?). On one other photograph he appeared in what he indicated was his dress uniform which showed him in an Ike jacket with AF S/Sgt stripes, and an airplane insignia (parachute) above his jacket pocket. Another photograph showed him standing next to an MP jeep, with the Gedächtniskirche in BERLIN in the background. Source could not indicate any details (insignia) of the uniform, but it appears that he wore all the MP accoutrements (white garrison cap w/visor, leggings, Sam Brown belt, .45 holster). The USAFEUR and USAFE

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emblem with "HIGHWAY PATROL" in the center appeared just below the windshield of the jeep. He stated that he had been drinking and dancing in an unidentified Gasthaus in BERLIN and had gone home with a woman. He admitted to have been quite intoxicated and remembered no details. He awoke in the custody of the Soviets at KARLSHORST and was sentenced to 25 years for espionage. Source could not recall if subject had mentioned any dates of his various assignments or eventual shanghai. Subject is not now permitted to write to friends or relatives.

2. Source last saw a Caucasian rehabilitee, believed to be an American, in Sub-camp 11-1 (around 1948). According to tales by this person, he had been in the Marines during WW II and fought against the Japanese in the Philippines. Later, he was in Manchuria(?), where he was detained by the Russians because he was allegedly of Russian extraction. He is about 36 to 38 years of age and has been detained since about end of 1944. He has permission to write and receives mail and packages from New Jersey (?) via an unknown location in Sweden. See blow-up photograph attached as Inclosure 1.

3. One PEEK or PECK, Herbert, an ethnic German born in RUDTSCHIN, USSR on Apr 31, has been detained at Detention Camp Complex Nr. 385 since spring of 1957. He was last known to be in Sub-camp 7-3 (late 1959). Source allegedly is still in touch with subject. Prior to his arrest, subject supposedly has been working for the CIC out of BERLIN. He had made several trips to the USSR and was arrested on 2 Dec 52 on the train at KÖNIGSWUSTERHAUSEN while on a return trip to BERLIN.

He was taken to the military;
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prison in KARLSHORST and sentenced to 25 years (Espionage 58-6, Article II).
See blow-up photographs attached as Inclosures 2 and 3.

4. In the fall of 1957, Frenchman arrived in Sub-camp 10. He had been in several camps of the Detention Camp Complex No. 385 since 1956. He was a born Armenian with French citizenship, and has been in the Surete' in BERLIN. His French citizenship is not recognized by the Russians. He is about 40 years of age, 175 cm tall, heavy build, wears glasses. He occasionally spoke of MARSEILLE.

5. The former Iranian Minister of Culture at the time of Mossadegh, one Mohammed Nagir SARR was last seen in Sub-camp 7 in Jan 60. He had been sentenced to 25 years. He fled to the USSR after the fall of Mossadegh and it is said that since his arrival in the USSR, he became dissatisfied with Communism and was arrested for some unknown reason stemming from this dissatisfaction. In camp he behaved as a convinced anti-Communist with Nationalistic tendencies. He is about 158 cm tall, has brown eyes, thin face, graying blond hair, a slightly dark complexion, and wears a black goatee.

SOURCES

1. By Source

BUENGER, Wilhelm, an ethnic German resettler from the Estonian SSR (Seg Hx J-17071-B), born Feb 35 in WERRO, Estonian SSR; has four years of education and is a lathe operator and armature winder by trade. From

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Jan 56 until Jan 60 source was in various camps, last of which was Camp 7 of the POTMA Complex (Nr. 385) for membership in a Freedom Youth Group (Freiheitlichen Jugendorganisation). He worked at various jobs in TARTU (DORPAT), Estonian SSR until 7 Mar 60, when he had to return to POTMA for having violated the TARTU area restriction. Remained in POTMA until 9 Sep 60 with various visits to his wife in TARTU.

Source legally arrived in HAMBURG via COPENHAGEN (by air), on 13 Sep 60 as a resettler.

Source was cooperative and gave information willingly but seemed unduly nervous, marked by trembling hands.

2. *(u)* Remarks

Detailed information on Camp Complex Nr. 385 is contained in MI-3640-60 entitled Detention Camp Complex Nr. 385, POTMA, USSR (C), and MI-3640A-60, AEUMF-HM, entitled Minimal Production within the Detention Camp Complex Nr. 385, POTMA (3640A-60), USSR (C).

3 Inclosures:

- 1 - Photograph of Alleged American Veteran of US Marine Corps (C)
- 2 and 3 - Photograph of Herbert BEEK or BECK, an ethnic German (C)

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